


This Week at the Ogden Presbyterian Church
Today..... Worship, 10am
Wednesday..... TOPS, 5:30pm
..... **CHOIR, 7pm**
Thursday Missions, 7pm
Next Sunday.... RALLY DAY



IN MEMORIAM

The church office received word that **LAURA WILLIS** went to be with the Lord on **February 15, 2017**. She had been living in Roswell, GA for 11 years, and suffered congestive heart failure. One of her daughters, Sandi Harding, recounts that Laura was sitting up talking and sharing stories with family even a few hours before her passing. Laura would have been 97 on March 10th. Please lift Laura's family in your prayers.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
Join us for Women's Bible Study **beginning September 12 at 9:30 in the Oak Room**. Title: "Giving God Your All". Everyone welcome! Books available before or on the opening day. Contact Sharon Pittman for more information (247-4463).

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN TEA PARTY
SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, October 14th
1-3pm



Writing of Joys and Concerns
There is a prayer request card in the pew. Please write down your prayer or praise request for us. (Please print legibly). Please put the prayer card into the offering plate during the offering so the pastor will include your joys and concerns in Prayers of the People.

Touch Cards. Please take a moment to send a thought or well wishes to the designated person listed below. The cards can be found in each pew. **Drop them in the collection plate or in the little basket in the Library.** The Deacons will make sure they get to that person.

This week's touch cards are for - **Gloria Farnsworth (Celebrating her 90th Birthday on September 10th!!!)**

Upcoming OPC Events

September 11
Men's Bible Study, Noon
PW Event, 4-8pm @ OPC
Finance, 7pm

September 12
Women's Bible Study, 9:30am
Fellowship, 6:30pm
Worship & Music, 7pm

September 13
Home Bureau, 9:30—2:30
TOPS, 5:30pm
Choir, 7pm

September 14
Stitchin' for Mission, 10
SEM @ OPC, 10am

September 16
Cookout w/ Vets, 4pm?

September 17
OPC Road Rally & Sundae Bar

September 18
ORACLE DEADLINE
Lunch Bunch, Slayton Place, 11am
Deacons, 6:30pm
Trustees, 7pm

September 19
Session, 7pm

September 21
Bible 101 Series w/ Pastor Tedd, 7pm

September 26
Membership, 7pm
Personnel, 7pm

Worship and Fellowship Assistants

	Today	Next Sunday
Greeters	Carol Quinn	Tim & Stephanie Cassidy
Ushers	Sharon & Harry Pittman	Marilyn & Randy Spilberg
Liturgist	John Pullano	Sandy Friday
Fellowship	Cindy Anderson	Christian Ed (RALLY DAY)
SS Teacher	TBA	RALLY DAY
Nursery	TBA	TBA

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR..... Bonnie Bush
CHOIR DIRECTOR:..... Jean Weaver
ORGANIST/ACCOMPANIST:..... Ellen Bristol
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR..... Donna Metherell
COMMUNION SERVERS: Cindy Anderson, Donna & Chelsea Metherell, & Judy Rynne

Trustee of the Month — September — Eileen Smith — 734-6505
One trustee is assigned per month to take care of any building issues that may arise. Please call the designated Trustee if you have something that needs to be addressed. Thank You!

Giving Income - For the 4 Sundays of August 2017

Actual - Pledges/Envelopes	\$9,155
Budgeted - Pledges/Envelopes	\$10,885

Giving Income - Year-To-Date 2017

Actual - Pledges/Envelopes	\$100,086
Budgeted - Pledges/Envelopes	\$95,240

During July \$120 was collected for Communion/Deacons.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, contact John Caloritis (Clerk of Session) at 723-1285, Dawn Sheffet (Deacon Co-Chair) at 746-7666, or Dennise Webster (Deacon Co-Chair) at 698-0784.

REMEMBER: September 2017 Oracle deadline is Monday, August 14th.

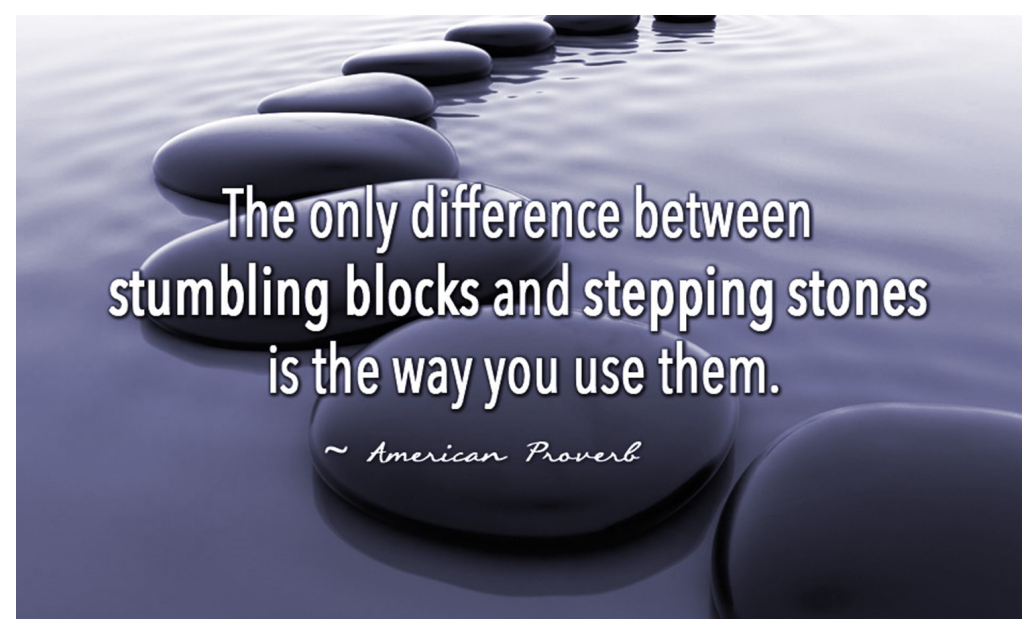
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Ogden Presbyterian Church



Please use the time before worship starts to personally meditate, prepare or center your mind for worship.

WELCOME TO OGDEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are glad you came today.

For your convenience, nursery care is available in Room #1 from 9:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. If needed, the room off the Narthex can be used for a cry room or for infant care. Sunday School for children through 8th grade is held during the worship service after the children's time. Restrooms are located past the Fellowship Hall on the right. Please join us in the fellowship hall for a coffee/tea fellowship following the service.

OPC Mission Statement: Our purpose is to equip ourselves and others to be Disciples of Christ as we seek God's will for our church and beyond.

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Audio Loop Installed
Hearing Aid Induction Loop Area
Use Your Telecoils
Audio Loop Installed

*Worshippers please stand (as you are able)

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CHIMES “Michael Row the Boat Ashore” ~Hansen
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
GREETING EACH OTHER
Ringing of Bell

PRELUDE “Menuet Gothique” ~Boellmann
Lighting of the candles

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Sisters and brothers, called to be God’s people, we come to share our lives together.

P: We come singing praises to the One who loves us, opening our hearts to him.

L: Friends, gathered as God’s people, we come to worship together:

P: To celebrate the joys of our hearts; to bring our tears and worries to God.

L: Children of God, challenged to follow Jesus, with no stumbling blocks,

P: We come to learn how to be disciples.

L: Come this day, O Holy One,

P: and bless us with your abundant presence.

*HYMN #420 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess that: our love isn’t always genuine, we see evil and wring our hands instead of resisting it, we forget to consider more ways to serve you, we turn our back on strangers who could benefit from our hospitality, we do not pray enough for our enemies, we associate with our own kind, fearing the “other”, and we consider revenge or payback too often. For all this, and for all that burdens our hearts today, O God, we seek your forgiveness. Have mercy on us and hear our prayers.

(silence is observed for reflection and prayer)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Christ calls each of us into lives of service and hope. He equips us for these ministries and places us on the pathways of peace. Rejoice! You are called by God’s Son and forgiven by him.

P: Thanks be to God for God’s forgiveness and grace. Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Romans 12:9-21 p. 923
Matthew 16:21-28 p. 798

L: This is the word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON: “Stumbling Block” Rev. Tedd Pullano

*HYMN #360 “Hope of the World” (v.1-4 only)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERING INVITATION
OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD
OFFERTORY “Ave Maria” ~Bach/Gounod

*DOXOLOGY #593

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (unison)

Lord of mercy and compassion, bless these gifts lovingly offered this day. Bless these gifts to be used for ministries of hope through our church and into our community, nation and world. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

JOYS AND CONCERNS
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
PASTORAL PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

(All who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to partake. Children shall partake of the elements under their parents’ guidance.)

***INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE**

L: Brothers and sisters in Christ, as we gather together and are filled with Christ’s Spirit, I invite you to come to this feast and be blessed. Let no stumbling block prevent you.

*HYMN #516 “Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation” v.1

***THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

L: Lift up your hearts and spirits!

P: We lift them up to the Lord!

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: We thank you, God, for calling Abraham and Israel to be your servants and to bring your blessings to all the world. We thank you that we are now your people and that the call is now with us. We are grateful for prophets, apostles, martyrs, and everyone who has shared your life-giving Word; for leaders who ruled with justice, for all who lifted up the poor and needy, and defended the people from their enemies. With all those through the ages who have loved the Lord Jesus Christ, and with all who try so hard to serve him here and now, we join our voices in offering praise to you, the God who guides us in love:

P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of love and hope, heaven and earth are full of your glory and love. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

L: In sending Jesus the Christ, the obedient one, you revealed to all the people abundant life and how your love works. He preached and taught and loved everyone. He put total trust in you — trust even unto death. For that we are deeply thankful.

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus: By dying, you destroyed sin and death; by rising, you offer us resurrection life. Lord Jesus, come again.

L: God of light, let your Holy Spirit move in power and love over us and over these earthly gifts of bread and wine. By our sharing of them may we experience the mystery of true communion of the body and blood of Christ, and may we become one in him.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (unison)

“Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.”

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night he was arrested, while they were eating together and having fellowship, Jesus reached over, took some bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his disciples and told them, “Take this and eat it. This is my body, given for you. Do this remembering me and my example.”

In the same way, as the meal ended, he took the cup from the table, and said, “This cup I have here is the new covenant, new hope, which will be sealed in my blood; blood I will shed for you for the forgiveness of your sins. Whenever you drink it, remember me.”

Jesus tells us boldly: "I am the bread of life. If any of you come to me, you won't be hungry; if any of you believe in me, you will never be thirsty."

Friends, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord until he comes – and you experience the grace of God.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Distribution of the Bread (bread is gluten free)

(To symbolize our common experience of God’s grace, please retain the bread until all have been served.)

Distribution of the Cup

(To symbolize our individual experience of God’s grace, please drink of the cup as it is served.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Gracious God, you have once again shown us your love by bringing us to this meal. We go from here renewed in faith, renewed in courage, and strengthened by your presence. Thank you for loving us so tenderly. Thank you for removing the stumbling blocks in our lives and challenging us to know you better and to receive you more fully.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #2129 “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” (v.1&2)

*BENEDICTION

*HYMN #2129 “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” (v.3&4)

*POSTLUDE “Menuetto”

~Wagner

Special Offering on Communion Sundays

On Communion Sunday the members are asked to make a voluntary contribution to aid the distressed and afflicted of our Church community. Your gift will be set aside for this purpose. The Deacons’ Fund envelopes, found in the pews, may be deposited in the offering plate on any convenient Sunday.

EMPLOYEE REVIEWS

The Personnel Committee would like your feedback on our employees as they prepare for annual reviews. Please give any comments to Dick Malloy.
OPC Staff: **Pastor Tedd, Brandon Arva** (secretary), **Ellen Bristol** (organist), **Bonnie Bush** (bell choir director), **Jean Weaver** (choir director), **Dennis Dupree** (treasurer), **Donna Metherell** (youth director) and **Perrie Wall** (custodian).

FOOD SHELF CURRENT NEEDS:

Cleaning Supplies are the current needs. If you wish to donate cash, please see Jean Schult or Andy Resch. Thank you for your generosity.

MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS

The Mission Committee has set up an account with **Five Cent Fast Redemption Center** in Barefoot Landing (Krony’s) Plaza. If you want to help the committee, tell your friends and family to return their cans and bottles there and add their refund to our account. The 10th of each month earns an extra 10% to the redemption amount. OPC members, continue bringing your cans and bottles to church and we’ll redeem them for you. Thank you!

Redemption Center Hours: Mon-Fri 11-6; Sat. 11-3

**PW EVENT — INFINITY SCARVES
Saturday, September 11th, 6pm, at OPC**

Come make an infinity scarf and enjoy a potluck dinner. All women are welcome to join us! We will teach you how to sew an infinity scarf. Bring one yard of a lightweight fabric or choose from a kit we will provide for a nominal fee. Details and sign-up sheet can be found on the PW Bulletin Board. Come join us for a fun night of sewing and fellowship!



CALLING ALL SINGERS...

The Choir will resume rehearsals **THIS WEDNESDAY at 7pm.** A change in rehearsal time will be announced later. New voices are always welcome to join... come check us out!